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## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) An item of jewelry, said jewelry item comprising,

a ring with shank <u>having a thickened upper portion in proximity to prongs</u>

for holding a stone or gem, said <u>thickened upper portion of said</u> shank defining a disk

opening, with said disk opening being entirely enclosed by said thickened upper portion;

and

a cylindrical message disk, mounted within said disk opening, wherein said cylindrical message disk is rotatable, transversely to said shank, within said disk opening, so as to display an inscription thereon.

- 2. (previously presented) The jewelry item as claimed in claim 1, wherein said cylindrical message disk maintains a plurality of inscriptions thereon, said cylindrical message disk rotatable within said disk opening so as to display a desired inscription among a plurality of inscriptions.
- 3. (original) The jewelry item as claimed in claim 1, wherein said inscription is a textual message.
  - 4. (original) The jewelry item as claimed in claim 1, wherein said

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inscription is decorative design.

## 5 - 6. (withdrawn)

- 7. (previously presented) The jewelry item as claimed in claim 1, wherein said cylindrical message disk is supported in said disk opening by a fixing device.
- 8. (previously presented) The jewelry item as claimed in claim 7, wherein said jewelry further comprises a second cylindrical message disk, said message disk, wherein said message disks are interchangeable with one another.
- 9. (original) The jewelry item as claimed in claim 7, wherein said fixing device is any one of a sprow, solid pin, and screw.
- 10. (currently amended) An item of jewelry, said jewelry item comprising,

a ring with shank,

a prong setting for an jewelry stone or gem, said prong setting having base and a plurality of prongs; and

a cylindrical message disk, mounted between <u>an upper portion of</u> said shank and <u>below said base of</u> said <u>prong</u> setting, wherein said cylindrical message disk is rotatable, transversely to said shank, so as to display an inscription thereon.

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11. (currently amended) An item of jewelry, said jewelry item comprising,

a jewelry component, said jewelry component <u>having a first upper element</u>
of said jewelry component and a second lower element of said jewelry component,
wherein the space between said first and second elements defines <u>defining</u> a disk
opening; and

a cylindrical message disk, mounted within said disk opening, wherein said cylindrical message disk is rotatable, within said disk opening, so as to display an inscription thereon.

12 - 16. (withdrawn)